

North Cumberland Fire District Board of Trustees
Minutes of February 20, 2013 Meeting

Present: Philip Koutsogiane, Chairman Others: Robert Murray,
Treasurer

Michael Spaziani, Vice Chair Chief Brian Jackvony

John Patrick McCoy Martin Klara, Tax Collector

Matthew Gannon Ghislaine Therien, Clerk

Paul Lindquist

Brian Campbell

Harry MacDonald

OPENING

Chairman called to order the regular meeting of the North Cumberland Fire District (NCFD) at 7:03pm.

CLERK'S REPORT

Following changes to January 2013 Minutes:

- Chief's Report: "...while their truck..." remove Engine**
- Chief's Report: next line change from 52 to 51**
- Treasurer's Report: Brackets inserted around deficit in red**
- Treasurer's Report: Remove "YTD" on profit and loss and insert "Certain Account Balances"**

Motion made by Mr. MacDonald and seconded by Mr. Lindquist to accept the January 2013 Minutes with above corrections. Motion carried by all present.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – January 2013

- **2012-2013 Taxes collected in January \$62,439.81/YTD January 2013 \$1,697,318.13**
- **2012-2011 Taxes Due \$113,320.69**
- **Prior years taxes due \$47,789.55**
- **Returned checks \$0**
- **Atty. Baker sent letters to any resident owing \$100 or more back taxes regarding tax sale**
- **Marty's printer not working and needs to be replaced. Chairman approved purchase.**

Motion made by Mr. McCoy and seconded by Mr. Spaziani to accept the Tax Collector's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

TREASURER'S REPORT - January 2013

Mr. Murray submitted his report and highlighted the following:

NCFD Payroll and Overtime

- **January standard payroll was \$76,461.73; Overtime was \$17,857.12.**

YTD payroll is \$561,800.79

- **Total expenses through January \$993,413.06**
- **Percentage of total expenses 12.84%**

Month of January 2013 P/L

Income/Revenue:

- **\$62,345.54 taxes collected in January 2013**
- **Interest income \$1,033.84 January 2013**
- **Various Fees \$0 January 2013**

January 2013 Expenses:

- **Total expenses for month \$150,896.73**
- **BC/BS \$19,155.59/Pension \$9,439.49**
- **Revenue in excess of expenses (\$87,516.35)**

January 2013 Certain Account Balances

- **Total Savings/Cash \$1,326,555.72**
- **Total Other Current Assets \$444,433.98**
- **RI State Pension \$5,812.92**
- **Lease Obligation \$265,888.55**
- **Total Current Liabilities \$33,169.57**
- **Total Equity \$2,406,412.29**
- **Total Liabilities & Equity \$3,186,702.70**

Motion made by Mr. Lindquist and seconded by Mr. McCoy to accept

the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

CHIEF'S REPORT/MONTHLY EXPENDITURES

Chief presented his monthly report for January 2013 and highlighted the following:

Emergency Calls:

- The North Cumberland Fire Department responded to 135 incidents in the month of January. This represents a slightly busier than average month due to severe weather.**

Personnel/Equipment:

- Firefighter personnel responded to three motor vehicle accidents/one truck fire/three mutual aid incidents/four gas odor/three structure fires, one stove fire and 1 smoke.**
- Completed ice rescue training/permit fire inspections completed/shift bid completed and implemented, training officer remains Lt. Emerson/active shooter training/kitchen and day rooms painted/new computers installed using \$2,500 grant funds.**

Buildings/Grounds:

 Grant for boiler and windows closing out/Truck 5 ladder pipe repaired/Engine 5 door switch needs replacement/Truck 5 turntable swivel needs replacement-received quote of \$19,000/Truck 5 cab frame repaired/Truck 5 door spring and lights replaced.

Equipment:

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ه Motion made by Mr. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Spaziani to accept the Chief's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Financial Management, Budget, Taxes:

- Mr. McCoy working on budget for upcoming new year.**

Apparatus/Buildings/Grounds

- Nothing to report.**

Personnel/Labor Relations

- Nothing to report.**

Negotiations

- Nothing to report.**

Consolidation

- Discussion under Old Business**

OLD BUSINESS

Consolidation/Sharing of Services

- Committee met again February 5th – joint meeting on February 4th was informational.**
- Mr. Spaziani working on labor negotiations and Mr. Murray the financial side.**

- Districts will need to vote independently to approve consolidation
- Budget needs to be drafted
- Consolidation will need General Assembly approval.
- New charter has provision that if the district does not pass a new budget needs to operate under old budget
- Board members would consist of one individual from each district and two at large.
- Would need new Board in place by September 2014
- Proposed budget in vicinity of \$6.4 million

NEW BUSINESS

- DEM having surplus liquidation of equipment free of charge but district would need to pick up.
- Lottery system if more than one district interested in an item and need to maintain and carry insurance.
for two years.

Motion made by Mr. McCoy authorizing Chief Brian Jackvony to enter into agreement with the State of Rhode Island, Department of Environmental Management, Division of Forest Environment, for the purpose of acquiring excess federal property under the Department of Defense Fire Fighter Program and to provide such additional information needed and required to execute such an agreement. Motion seconded by Mr. Gannon. Motion carried by all present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- **Nothing to report.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **None**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. MacDonald and seconded by Mr. Spaziani to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by all present. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ghislaine D. Therien, Clerk